SENATE BILL No. 464

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-18-2; IC 16-19-14.

Synopsis: State trauma care committee. Establishes the state trauma care committee.

Effective: July 1, 2009.

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January 14, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type.~~
 Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.
 Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *~~this style type~~* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2008 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-18-2-62.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 62.5. "Committee", for purposes**
4 **of IC 16-19-14, refers to the state trauma care committee**
5 **established by IC 16-19-14-2.**
6 SECTION 2. IC 16-18-2-354.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.155-2006,
7 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
8 JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 354.5. "Trauma care", for purposes of
9 IC 16-19-3-28 **and IC 16-19-14,** means the assessment, diagnosis,
10 transportation, treatment, or rehabilitation by a health care provider of
11 an acute bodily injury that requires immediate intervention to prevent
12 the loss of life or a serious impairment of a body function or part.
13 SECTION 3. IC 16-19-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
14 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15 JULY 1, 2009]:
16 **Chapter 14. State Trauma Care Committee**
17 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "committee" refers to the state**

1 trauma care committee established by section 2 of this chapter.
2   Sec. 2. (a) The state trauma care committee is established. The
3 committee consists of the following members appointed by the
4 governor:
5   (1) The state health commissioner or the commissioner's
6   designee.
7   (2) The executive director of the department of homeland
8   security or the executive director's designee.
9   (3) Seven (7) trauma surgeons licensed under IC 25-22.5, with
10   at least one (1) surgeon representing each hospital that has an
11   accredited trauma care center.
12   (4) One (1) emergency room physician licensed under
13   IC 25-22.5.
14   (5) One (1) emergency medical services provider.
15   (6) One (1) individual representing fire rescue services.
16   (7) Two (2) nurses licensed under IC 25-23 who are employed
17   as trauma care coordinators.
18   (8) Two (2) physicians licensed under IC 25-22.5 from a
19   hospital that:
20   (A) is not accredited as a trauma care center; and
21   (B) is located in either a rural area or Gary.
22   (9) The chairperson of the Indiana Committee on Trauma.
23   (b) Members of the committee shall serve a term of two (2)
24 years. However, a member may be reappointed by the governor for
25 one (1) additional term. The governor may remove for cause a
26 member of the committee and fill vacancies of members on the
27 committee.
28   (c) The state department shall staff the committee.
29   Sec. 3. The committee shall advise the state department in the
30 development and implementation of a comprehensive statewide
31 trauma system.
32   Sec. 4. The affirmative votes of a majority of the members on
33 the committee are required for the committee to take action on any
34 measure, including final reports.